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## \*Media Alert\*

City of Framingham to Cancel Annual Tree Lighting Event Due to the Pandemic, but Tree Donated by a Southside Resident, in Honor of Framingham Veterans, to Decorate City Hall

**FRAMINGHAM, MA** – The City will cancel this year's tree lighting event to discourage gathering and COVID-19 transmission. However, a resident from the Southside has generously donated a 30-foot Norway Spruce, in honor of Framingham's brave veterans, to be decorated and festively lit for people to enjoy as they travel by City Hall.

"Framingham's Tree Lighting is one of my favorite events because it connects us as a community and brings forward the true spirit of the season. The decision to cancel the event this year was a difficult one," said Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer. "I'm hopeful that next year we can gather as a community and ring in the season."

Framingham's Department of Public Works (DPW) will deliver the tree to City Hall on Friday, November 27, and DPW and Facilities will decorate the tree on Monday, November 30. The tree will be lit for the entire month of December.